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YOUNG GIRL

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—In the circuit
the case of Ed-
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of Maroa, Macon
jury brought
defendant guilty
will go to the
court fixing the
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county court in
the September
is convicted and
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trial two im-
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are absent and the
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was anxious for
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would testify that
Cook and Minnie
Dr. B. F. Gardi
and by agreement
jury. Judge Epi-
trial, allowed the
side of Dr. B. F.
was summoned to
jury. After the
granted a new trial
made the error of al-
Gardiner's suicide,
nal.

attended the trial at
the Jacob Ewing and
Mrs. A. D. Wyson
and Dr. F. A.
T. CARSON.

Fight in Nevada
Rapidly.

—Work on Cor-
at Shaw's Springs
and he will proba-
bly attend church
He said yester-
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of the experts and
here a month ahead

Fireman Hinkle, of the C. P. & St. L.,
who was scalded in a wreck at Pekin, has
submitted to amputation of a leg and will
now speedily recover.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 20, 1887.
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. TAYLOR,
Editor in Chief, provisions and stocks, with
correspondents Chicago, New York, Minneapolis
and St. Louis for the following market quotations:

No market Monday—Washington's birthday
and a legal holiday.

	Opening	High	Low	Closing
Wheat—				70¢
February	70%	77%	70%	70%
May	70%	77%	70%	70%
June	70%	73%	70%	70%
Corn—				20¢
February	20%	24%	20%	20%
May	20%	24%	20%	20%
July	20%	25%	20%	20%
Oats—				15¢
February	15%	17%	15%	15%
May	15%	18%	15%	15%
July	15%	18%	15%	15%
Pork—				75¢
February	8.00	8.00	7.95	7.95
May	8.00	8.00	7.95	7.95
February	4.02%	—	—	4.02%
May	4.02%	—	—	4.02%
Rib—				75¢
February	4.10	4.10	4.07%	4.07%
May	4.10	4.10	4.07%	4.07%
May wheat: pub., 75¢; cash, 77¢; curb,				
TO-DAY'S BROMPTON-CAR LOADS.				
Wheat—25: Estimated, 18. Year ago, —.				
Corn—21: Estimated, 15; a year ago, —.				
Date—26: Estimated, 27; a year ago, —.				
EXTRACTION FOR TUESDAY.				
Wheat, 20; Corn, 18; oats, 26.				
Hog receipts, 10,000; estimated, 16,000. Mar- ket a shade lower.				
Estimated for to-morrow, (Monday), 16,000.				
Cattle receipts, 300.				
PEORIA QUOTATIONS.				
PEORIA, Feb. 20.—Wheat, cash, 85¢; May, white, 89¢; oats, higher, new, No. 2, white, 18¢; 18¢, Rye, lower.				
ST. LOUIS MARKET.				
ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20.—Wheat, cash, 85¢; May, oats, cash, 20¢; May, 22; Oats, cash 17¢; May, 18¢.				
NEW YORK MARKET.				
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Wheat, May, 82¢; Corn, May, 30¢; oats, May, 21¢.				
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Butter, steady, cream- ery, 12¢; eggs, steady, 12¢.				

It is reported that Lee's long suffering
and forbearance broke loose, and he de-
termined to make a stand at once that
would settle the question of American
rights in Cuba. It is said that he cabled
Olney and Cleveland that there were
scores of Americans imprisoned in Spanish
dungeons for little or no cause; that
it was impossible to get a fair trial for
them, and that it was time to do some-
thing to aid them and secure fair treat-
ment for his fellow citizens. He requested
the administration to stand behind him,
and he would make a demand upon the
Spanish officials for the instant release
or the promise of a speedy civil trial for
all Americans now in Spanish jails. It
is added that he stated in plain language
to them both that if this was not done he
would resign at once. War ships would
be needed to bring this about, and General
Lee mentioned this as something that
should be ordered immediately.

General Lee's friends say that he has
waited until his patience has given out
entirely. He has seen Americans scorched
and insulted, and all his remonstrance

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New Aeroplane Designed for the Imperial Russian Navy.

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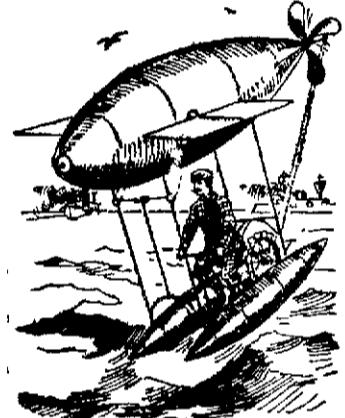
The aerial observation car, an ingenious device which has just been perfected by Paul Skobeloff, a Russian naval expert, is destined to be of great service in marine warfare, as by its application the officers of one fleet can be apprised of the enemy's movements by signals from the clouds, while the enemy will be ignorant of being watched.

This invention is to some extent a modification and a vast improvement upon the war balloon, yet it bears so little resemblance to the usually conceived idea of that machine that the observer might well be pardoned for mistaking it for anything except an airship. It is, in fact, a combination of all the practicable features of air craft constructed during the last quarter of a century, and, in addition, has a number of entirely new and novel features which give it a success heretofore unattained by any invention for aerial navigation.

With this car, says the New York Herald, the maneuvers of hostile ships can be observed long before they come within the range of vision of anyone aboard ship, and high among the clouds the rider of this novel machine signals his fellows by means of colored flags just what the enemy is doing.

Stationed at Vladivostock, that lonely Russian naval station on the east shore of Siberia, M. Skobeloff has during the last few years had ample time and opportunity to arrange and perfect his plans for a successful trip among the clouds. As a result of his thought and labor he has just completed the aerial observation car, and after having successfully tried a working model, a large one is now being constructed at Vladivostock, and it will in the early spring be placed in actual service on one of the Russian war ships of the Pacific squadron.

This peculiar contrivance, which enables the officers of a ship to learn



AERIAL OBSERVATION CAR.

the plans and movements of the enemy miles away, consists of three large cylinders, two of equal size and one larger one, all of aluminum. The two small cylinders are cigar-shaped, and are held in place side by side and suspended from the larger cylinder, which is about 18 feet long and eight feet in diameter at the front, while the stern is somewhat smaller.

Projecting from each side of this main cylinder are two sheets of aluminum, which might be termed wings. They are seven feet long and three feet in width. At the stern of the cylinder there is fixed a large but light fan wheel or propeller, which, when in motion, acts in the air exactly as a ship's propeller does in the water, forcing the machine rises from the water like a huge sea bird.

Extending downward are four light but strong steel rods, to which are attached the two smaller cylinders, parallel with each other, but sufficiently far apart to allow for the working of the machinery of the car between them.

When it is known that an enemy's ship is in the vicinity, the services of the aerial observation car are called into requisition. The cylinders are partially filled with gas, which is carried for that purpose in a large storage tank on board the ship. The car is then lowered over the ship's side into the water, and the rider takes his seat upon the machine. The filling of the cylinders is then completed and the airship rises from the water like a huge sea bird.

High up in the air the rider has an unobstructed view over miles of water. No bullet can reach him, and with a powerful glass he can at his leisure locate the hostile ship or ships and by the signal code give the information to his own ship's officers, who are watching him through their marine glasses.

When it is desired to return to the ship the turning of a lever beneath the handle bar of the machine opens a set of valves in each of the three cylinders and allows as much or as little of the gas to escape as the rider may desire. Instead of sinking directly down now, as would an ordinary balloon when the gas is allowed to escape, this aerial car descends in a diagonal direction, being enabled to do so by the wings, aided by the propeller and wheel.

As not all the gas is exhausted from the cylinders, the car rides lightly over the top of the waves; at the same time the rider is clear of the water and in no danger of a wetting. The lead-basted cylinders maintain the machine in proper position, and the demonstrations by models have proved that quite rapid progress can be made with this car.

To Use the Revised Bible.

A movement is again on foot among a section of the clergy and laity of England to have the revised version of the Bible used in churches.

GREAT DRINK FIGHTER.

Mrs. A. O. Rutherford, President of the Canadian W. G. T. U. Mrs. A. O. Rutherford, of Toronto, Ont., president of the Canadian Women's Christian Temperance union, is one of the hardest workers in the cause of temperance and prohibition in North America. At present Mrs. Rutherford is busy completing arrangements for the next convention of the world's Women's Christian Temperance union, which is to be held in Toronto next fall. The date of the convention has not yet been decided upon, but it will probably be held in October. The dominion union is made up of the provincial unions, which are in turn divided into district unions, and these again into local unions. The dominion or national union is a member of the world's union,



MRS. A. O. RUTHERFORD.

which in its next convention will be entertained by the district union of Toronto. The meeting in Canada will be attended by Lady Henry Somerset and Miss Frances Willard. Representatives of the unions of France, Germany, England, China and other foreign countries will also be present. The convention is to be held under the direction of the Junior Christian Endeavor association. Mrs. Rutherford says that the work of the Canadian union differs but little in essentials from that of the union in the United States. The work is divided up among various departments, and the progress in its political aspect is especially gratifying. This progress will perhaps be best illustrated when it is said that four of the provinces to which a plebiscite vote was submitted gave a majority of 132,918 for prohibition. The national organization is now arming for the great battle to be fought when Premier Laurier redeems his promise to submit a plebiscite to the people of the dominion. Mr. Laurier has also promised to bring before the house legislation in line with the results of the popular vote. In the campaign to be made on these lines the union will summon to its aid the best scientific lecturers on temperance to be had in the realm. In view of the bright promises for national legislation on prohibition Mrs. Rutherford is happy. She hopes to have Canada well under way when the big convention meets in Toronto.

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Gunnerkrupp Gives Regular Work to 25,000 Men.

One may truly say that Herr Alfred Krupp, of Essen, Germany, is most distinguished man. He is, says Frank Leslie's Weekly, the largest employer of labor in the world. On the pay rolls of the great Krupp establishment are more than 25,000 men.

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Thirty-four governments have made purchases there, and this means that more than 25,000 guns of various sizes have been

frowning on mankind in the name of peace and civilization. Herr Krupp, the son and worthy successor of the great Krupp, is only 42 years old. He engages in the manufacture of implements to



FREDERICK ALFRED KRUPP.

kill men and destroy property. As an employer he manifests no such characteristics. His employees live in "model houses," have schools, baths, libraries, hospitals and pensions under his direction.

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OUT OF TOWN ECHOES

Observations and Notes by a Reporter on His Rounds

IN SOME MACON COUNTY TOWNS.

Corn Incident at Lake City in 1895 Recalled—Comrade Burt and Major

McKinley in Battle—Sorrow at Blue Mound Caused by a Stranger.

The past week has been a trying ordeal to business men. The country roads have been masses of soft, sticky mud over which locomotion was all but impossible. As a consequence grain dealers have had nothing to do, and the village merchants have had ample time to take account of stock and prepare for the spring rush.

On the Veech farm which adjoins the little village of Sangamon, 85,000 bushels of corn is stored waiting for a higher market. Several thousand bushels could have been disposed of at one time for 50 cents per bushel.

Speaking of 50-cent corn reminds the writer of a funny little incident which came under his notice while visiting Lake City in the summer of 1895. The reporter was standing on the platform in front of Selder's store when a grizzled old farmer made his appearance driving along the dusty street, after a melancholy old white horse, which seemed to have lost all interest in life. The driver, too, seemed to be in the depths of profound misery.

His wrinkled face was clouded with care and his whole appearance suggested that some terrible, unforeseen and crushing had fortune had tumbled down in the old man's immediate neighborhood. He drew up in front of the platform, attached the melancholy steed to a post and found a seat on the platform where his air of general dejection attracted the attention of the genial proprietor of the store.

"Why, what is the matter, Uncle Ben; anybody sick at your place?" said the merchant. "Now," replied the dejected farmer, with a sigh which rattled the loose boards in the platform walled up from the depths of his being. "All my folks are well, but it does seem that I'm always havin' the durndest luck. I've got about 8000 bushels of corn out on my farm and this mornin' when I got up there was my biggest crib busted all to ginders, and the corn runnin' all over the ground. I reckon there's a good 5000 bushels of it. It can't be picked up and I've just got to sell it, when corn is just certain to be a good price a week from now. You can't tell when a big rain will come on now-a-days. It just seems sometimes that everything is agin' a man and I'm that discouraged that I feel just like goin' off somewhere and dyin'." Another sigh that sounded like the exhaust of a traction engine, and the old man gained his feet, hobbled over to the grain office, and closed a contract for 7000 bushels of corn, more or less to be delivered at once at 50 cents per bushel. Unless the aged agriculturist got a decided motion on himself corn was not selling for 50 cents when the last load reached the dealer.

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Prorating Delegates.

Why would it not be a good thing for the Republican township central committee to adopt the plan at the coming primaries and convention of prorating the delegates to the convention according to the vote received, by the candidate. Two plans have been tried neither of which is exactly satisfactory. These plans are: First, that the candidate before the primaries receiving the highest number of votes in the precinct whether that number is a plurality or a majority gets the entire vote of the delegation "in the convention from that precinct; second, that the candidate receiving a majority or a plurality of the total vote cast in all the precincts gets the nomination without the action of the convention.

The first plan is less objectionable than the second for the reason that it preserves the identity of the precincts and the convention while the second plan in effect does away with the identity of both the precinct and the convention.

The objections to the first plan are as follows: When more than two candidates are before the primaries for the same office one of the candidates is likely to get all the delegates when he has not come near carrying the precincts. For example: A, B, C and D are candidates for the same office and A gets 50 votes, B 49 votes, C 48 votes, and D 47 votes. A gets all the delegates while he only received 50 votes to 144 cast against him. This possibility always offers inducements to tricksters to multiply candidates in order to run a weak man, of their own choosing in a plurality. While this is true B might get the advantage in some other precinct and C in another. In this way this objection is partially remedied by preserving the precinct identity.

The objections to the second plan are that a single precinct by unfair means might decide the fate of the ticket as the precinct identity is destroyed and the convention is left without power to correct any fraud that might be committed in a precinct. Then again in a worse form there arises the objection that in case of a multitude of candidates there is danger of an exceedingly weak man being nominated by a plurality far below a majority by working a little crookedness in a single precinct.

There are a few, only, of the more essential objections to these plans. The prorating of delegates obviates all these objections, because, to the first plan, pointed out in this article, is added the carrying along up to the convention the popular vote giving every candidate delegates in proportion to the votes cast for him at the primary. Here is an example of how this plan would work: Suppose, again, A, B, C and D, are candidates for the same office before the primaries where the precinct has 8 delegates and 250 votes are cast for the candidates for that office, and that of this number A gets 125 votes, B 75 votes, C 88 votes and D 15 votes. The first thing, after the votes were counted, the judges and clerks would do would be to find how many votes were necessary to entitle a candidate to a delegate. This would be done by dividing 250, the total number of votes, by the number of delegates. The quotient would be $3\frac{1}{2}$ the number of votes necessary to secure a delegate. But to make it as near equal as possible there should be a delegate half-vote as will appear from the following computation, which is about as difficult a combination as could be suggested: By dividing these respective votes for candidates by $3\frac{1}{2}$ A would get 4 delegates, B $2\frac{1}{2}$ delegates, C 1 delegate and D $\frac{1}{2}$ delegate or stated more properly that delegation of $\frac{1}{2}$, would thus cast its vote in the convention. This, as before stated, gives every candidate in the convention an expression of the votes he got at the primary, provided he received enough in any precinct to count or entitle him to any vote in the convention. This plan is as fair and equitable as it is possible to make it and leaves no inducement open to multiply candidates to carry precincts by plurality, or upon the general plurality plan, to "whoo up" in some one precinct to force a plurality.

This plan also makes a convention a body of some dignity with the people's business in hand and could not fail to give satisfaction to everybody who is willing to take his chances for a nomination in a fair deal with the people, and it might justly be added that a candidate who cannot stand a fair deal should never be honored by a place on the ticket of any party.

How the Senate Will Stand.

The Chicago Tribune: The re-election of James R. Kyle to the United States Senate from South Dakota determines the complexion of that body as it will appear when the Republican party comes into power March 4. It will be composed of the following elements:

MUSIC A LA GOLF.

It gives a freshness and variety to criticism.

Never in the history of the nation has the delirium of parties been so uncertain as will be exemplified by the senate to be organized at the beginning of the administration of President McKinley. No party has a control in the upper branch of the national legislature, and although the Republicans predominate in degree they are short of a majority, even after counting the free silver senators like Wolcott, Haubrough, and Carter, who are true to the party, while differing with it on the most important political issue of any in district.

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RUSSELL SAGE TALKS.

Eminent Financier Discusses Woman's Business Limitations.

In these days, when golf is crowding in popularity every other form of outdoor sport, it is also—in England, at least—giving a freshness and variety to musical criticism which will be appreciated by the lay mind that is not educated up to knowledge of the technical terms usually employed in describing musical events. Here is a report, taken from a recent London paper, of a classical concert at St. James' hall:

"An enormous crowd assembled Monday night to witness the foursome competition over the St. James' hall links. Punctually at eight o'clock Dr. Joachim drove off from the tee, signor Piatti responding with a lovely low shot, which left Mr. Gibson within easy reach of the green with his brassay. Mr. Ries foozed the second subject and Dr. Joachim was badly bunkered, but using his niblick on the G string in masterly style laid his ball dead, and the first movement was halved amid great enthusiasm."

There are also several "regular" Democrats who will not vote with their party on this question, and the subdivisions of party affiliations, if followed through the maze of monetary and tariff issues, would be so uncertain that they would be of doubtful value.

The blue book of the German rohstet is not more interesting than a census of the senate of the United States as it will appear at the beginning of the next administration. There must be an amalgamation of divergent factions to secure control, more or less nominal, of that body. The natural divisions, in their primary formation, will be as follows:

Republicans—42. Albro, Hale, Practor, Haworth, Pentose, Hawley, Quay, Spooner, Stearns [or his successor.] Carter, Lodge, McMillan, Shoup, Shewell, Thurston, Clark, Mason, Morris, Warren, Wilson, Cutts, Nelson, Perkins, Webster, Ekin, Perkins, Wilson, Wolcott, Fairbanks, Pratt, Wellington, Finkler, Pratt, [N. Y.] Prichard, Teeter.

Democrats—33. Bacon, Murphy, Gray, Pasco, Harris, [Tenn.] Petrie, Jones, [Ark.] Pease, Reavis, Roach, Lindsey, Smith, Martin, McRae, Mills, Vess, Mitchell, [Wls.] White, Morgan.

Populists—7. Allen, Hechtold, Stewart, Jones, [Nev.] Turner, Butler, Harris, [Kas.] Petigrew, Teller, Cannon, Manton.

Independent—1. Kyle.

Vacancies—3. Kentucky (a Republican). Oregon (a Republican). Florida (a Democrat).

In the above table silver Republicans like Wolcott, Clark, and Carter, who act with the party on all subjects other than the money question, and who are members in good standing of the Republican senatorial caucus, are counted as straight Republicans, just as sound money Democrats like Caffery and Gray are classed as straight Democrats, and these may be counted upon to vote as Republicans or Democrats except on the raising of this one issue, when there would be a nearly equal shifting of party lines.

The senate now—and normally—consists of 90 members. There is little doubt that only 88, and possibly only 87, senators will be in their seats March 5. Vacancies will exist March 4 in Kentucky, Florida, and Oregon. Those in Kentucky and Oregon will be filled eventually by Republicans, in all probability, and in Florida Senator Cal's successor, a Democrat, will be chosen in April. The governor may fill the latter vacancy, however, promptly on March 4 by appointment.

It would appear to be a reasonable supposition that the Republicans in the senate will have 44 votes on organization at least, counting the 9 "straight" Republicans, Kyle, the "independent," and the Republican who may come from Kentucky. There remains a single vote to be obtained, and it is likely that this will be that of Jones of Nevada or of Lee Manton of Montana, who has shown a disposition to creep back into the fold to the side of his colleague, Senator Carter.

The Democrats, in order to get a majority, must needs corral all of the Populists and all of the independent silver Republicans. The advantage clearly rests with the Republicans.

The congress of mothers held in Washington is the most important congress or assembly yet held by woman. There is no question to which American women can address themselves with so much promise of benefit to this and future generations. It is better far than all the vaporings of the Helen Gougar of our land about reforms which they do not expect to accomplish but which are used as a means of bringing them before the people in the role for which nature has endowed them, namely, as agitators, generally on the wrong side of every question. The country will hail the mother's congress as a move in the right direction and a great relief.

The people should never forget that it is as important to have good men nominated and elected aldermen as it is to have a good mayor. No matter how good a man a mayor may be if he has a poor council behind him he can do nothing.

Nevada has gone into the prize fight business and would probably go into the lottery business also, but she cannot make arrangements such as she might desire, with the United States mail services.

Major McKinley has again fully recovered his health but it is given out that he cannot receive visitors except in very special cases.

It is reported that 400 Texas populists are about to remove in a body to Mexico. They should remember "There'll be no Bryan there."

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In certain spheres woman is preeminent. No man could make a home as woman makes it, for the reason that he lacks the homemaking instinct. He has not the delicacy of mind, nor the tact, nor that tireless patience in dealing endlessly with little things. But, says Russell Sage, the famous New York financier, in Demarest's Monthly Magazine, as women are preeminent in certain spheres, so are men preeminent in others. I think, for example, that it will be a long time before there are women financiers of wide influence and power. The reason is that the financier deals exclusively with masculine forces. He must know men and must handle them. In the keen rivalry

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(con sordino) resulting in another half.

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play pawky round a dangerous pizzicato

passage, lost a good deal of ground, as

Dr. Joachim's drive and Mr. Ries' sec-

ond were both long and straight."

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man the other day, reports the New

York Sun, "but I had an experience with

a person recently who seemed to me

the strangest of all. I was engaged in

settling up an estate in which there was

likely to be litigation, and I had con-

cluded to get powers of attorney from

as many of the heirs at law as possible

in order to save expense and expedite

matters. I came to New York to see

one of the heirs, and found him a grave

and able business man. When I ex-

plained the situation he readily agreed

that the course I intended to pursue

was the best, and promised to assist me

in it.

"Then," said I, "I suppose you will

sign this power of attorney, and I laid

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swered, decidedly. 'And why not?'

"Upon religious grounds," he said.

"For many years I have been endeavor-

ing to live a life that should be free from

mortal sin, and so far I believe I have

escaped any act that is beyond forgive-

ness; but I could not think of putting

my name to a paper which authorized

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4 dozen Heavy Cottonette Panta, price \$1.00—for this sale.....58c
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32 pair Ladies' Dongola Button Shoe, price \$1.75 and \$2.00, for this sale.....\$1.10
32 pairs Boys' Fine Calf Skin Shoe, razor toe, price \$1.50, for this sale.....98c
36 pairs Child's Shoes at.....98c
72 pairs Men's Fine Calf Skin Shoes, razor toe, at.....\$1.18
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48 Black, Fine Jackets, regular price \$10 and \$12. Your
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FIERCEST OF SPIDERS.

It Kills Birds and Small Reptiles
of All Kinds.

Peculiar Thing: Seen by an English
Naturalist in the Forests of Guiana
—How a Lizard Was De-
prived of Its Prey.

Down in the steaming tropical forests of the Guianas, in South America, where the climate during the rainy season resembles a Turkish bath, there abounds what is probably the most wonderful spider in the world. It is the great bird spider, the "Mygale avicularia," which catches and kills not only birds, but lizards, other small reptiles and even young chickens. The natives who inhabit those gloomy equatorial solitudes are accustomed from the hour of their birth to all sorts of horrible and deadly insects, but none of them—not even the tarantula or centipede—is so dreaded as the terrible sea spider, the tiger of its tribe. It builds its nest in the trees, and there it lies in wait, just as the house spider does for flies, leaping upon its victims like a ferox and savage beast. An English naturalist who recently returned from a long sojourn in the forests of Guiana relates some interesting personal experiences with this dreaded insect.

"In my excursions into the woods," says this gentleman, "I used to pass an old tree, the trunk of which was slightly hollowed. Beneath the overhanging bark above the hollow a family of bats had affixed themselves, six of them, hanging by their toes, noses downward. They always clung in the form of a triangle, three bats in the upper row, then a row of two, a single bat at the bottom.

"One day I missed the lowermost one, but the next day his place had been supplied. The following day two were gone, and when I inquired of my negro guide the reason and manner of his taking off I was informed that probably a bird spider had captured him. At another time I was hunting along the shore for small birds among the sea grapes, the hanging racemes of creamy white flowers attracting birds and insects, owing to the honey which they contained. The first bird I shot there was a black and yellow 'sugar

eaters,' so called from its liking for sugar and all sweet things, a frequent visitor to the sugar plantations during the boiling season. It fell, as I fired into a dense cluster of sea grapes; another bird attracted my attention just then, and, first noting the location of the one I had shot, I went in pursuit of the second. I soon returned, but could not find my bird, though I knew he must be somewhere near. As I was peering through the leaves, however, a slight rustling drew my attention to a very comical sight. It was a large lizard, which, with one foot placed upon the bird I had shot, was intently watching me with his diamond-bright eyes. He had stripped off some of the feathers from the dead bird, which he was hastily devouring, having first drawn it some distance from the spot where it had fallen. Suddenly, just as I was turning away, a black, hairy object fell upon the lizard; there was a short sharp struggle, and my predatory friend was still in death. I might easily have killed the spider (for such it was), but I did not."

All Weddings on One Day.

At Plougasnel, in Brittany, all the weddings of the year are celebrated on one day. In February last 34 couples were simultaneously joined together in holy matrimony. The ceremony was very pretty, all the brides and bridegrooms wearing Breton costumes, and walking in procession round the town, followed by their fathers and mothers, their brothers, their sisters, their cousins and their aunts. The wedding breakfast was laid out in detachments, hardly a building in the village being exempt from making room for a portion. There were 2,000 guests distributed among the lofts, barns and kitchens; plates were conspicuous by their absence, and a dish of food was supplied to every four persons. The festivities lasted for a week, and included many curious old Breton customs.

International Mule Car Line.

The only international mule car line in the world is the one which runs across the bridge from El Paso, Tex., to Juarez, Mexico. The so-called Dogberry's whose duty it is to watch for dutiable goods board the boats at each trip and search for smuggled wares with as much gravity as if the whole world was breathlessly watching. Recently they pounced upon a lot of lamp chimneys and wicks which were to be used for the car service, and in their zeal to serve the country they delayed the traffic for half a day until they arrived at a proper understanding of the matter.

The Science of Algebra.

The science of algebra is said to have been invented by Mohammed of Buziana, about 830 A. D. The science was introduced into Spain by the Moors. The first treatise on the subject in any European language is believed to have been that by Luca Pacioli, in 1494.



TO THE SOUTH.

BOLEN & LANNING, Real Estate Dealers, have another of their popular EXCURSIONS TO TEXAS on TUESDAY, MARCH 24, where they are selling so much of their choice cheap lands near Houston, Prairie, and Galveston. These lands are beautiful, most of them never before having been sold in them. You can sell them cheaper and better terms than any one can and take exchange in on some of them. Write us for circulars. We do a general exchange of business; have land to sell for farms, for ranches, for orchards for lands, in fact can get you with almost any kind of a trade. Especially notice their circulars on the country across the bayou from Galveston. Write us or call and see us in Millikin bank building, Decatur.

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NEWS FROM MR. CREA.

Was Not So Well Sunday—Some Better To-Day.

Much solicitude is felt in the community for Hon. Hugh Crea, a patient at the Augustine hospital, in Chicago, by his many business and personal friends. He was regarded as resting reasonably well on Saturday, but on Sunday a message came stating that he was not so well. Miss Crea went to Chicago on the train Sunday at noon. This morning a telegram was received by Mrs. Crea that her husband was some better than he was on Sunday. Today at noon Mrs. Crea left for Chicago to be with her husband. The lady would have gone before but by the advice of her physician she has remained at home. Her health has been bad for several weeks and it has been deemed inadvisable for her to make the journey to Chicago.

CORNELL CELEBRATION.

A Letter from McCleary in Which He Refers to Washington's Farewell Address.

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 22.—Washington's birthday was celebrated under the auspices of Cornell University. A letter from McKinley declared that "next to the Declaration of Independence itself Washington's address is the richest heritage that has come down to us from the fathers of the republic."

Pall-Bearers.

The following comrades have been selected to serve as pall bearers at the funeral of the late Mrs. Nathan Gruber which will take place tomorrow at 3 p. m. from 534 South Seigel street: I. N. Martin, M. E. Bingham, Harry Fish, M. Shea, Hiram Johnson and Andrew J. Johns.

Bucklers & Armies Salvage.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever, Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Irritations and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

REDUCED PRICES FOR 30 DAYS.

Ladies' and Children's Dresses, Cloaks, Wrappers and Capes dyed and dry cleaned. No ripping apart. Lace and chenille and portiers dry cleaned at reduced prices for February, by the leading practical dyers and dry cleaners of Decatur. H. H. Miller & Bro., 145 North Main street.

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NOTICE.

DECATUR, ILL., Feb. 22, 1897.

To the Stockholders of the Municipal Electric Company of Decatur, Ill.:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of said company will be held at the office of said company in Decatur, Illinois, upon the 15th day of March, 1897, at half past one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of authorizing the president or secretary of said company to execute, acknowledge and deliver the notes and mortgages of said company, said mortgages to cover the entire property, property rights, privileges and franchises of said company, in the amount of \$20,000, and to such term and for such time as shall be deemed expedient by the office or so authorized to execute said notes and mortgages, or as shall be particularly provided for by resolutions adopted at such meeting.

[U. S.] Attest: F. H. CULVER, Pres't.

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CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, et al.

MACON COUNTY, et al.

In the Circuit Court to the June Term, A.D. 1897.

Lewis F. Hall vs. Jane White Hall—Divorce. It appearing by affidavit filed in my office that the above named defendant is a non-resident of the state of Illinois, notice is hereby given to her that the above named complaint is filed against her in this court, on the basis of the facts set forth in the complaint, which said defendant is still pending, and that summons thereon issued out of said court against her above named defendant, returnable on the first Monday in June, 1897, will be served on her at the court house in Decatur, on the first Monday in June, 1897.

Now unless you the said Jane White Hall, shall be and appear on the 1st Monday of said month to answer or demur to said cause of complaint, the same will be taken as done against you and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated at Decatur this 25th day of February, A. D. 1897.

[Seal] D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.

Feb. 22, 1897.

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WORKING FOR TRADE....

Yes, that is what we are doing---Giving Exceptional Values in all kinds of Dry Goods Shoes and Cloaks.

PRICES TO REDUCE STOCK

Will be the Draw Card This Week.

Kid Gloves at 98c.

MEN'S FLANNEL OUTSIDE SHIRTS worth \$1.00 and \$1.50, now at 50c.

LADIES' FINE SHOES, the \$2.00 kind at \$1.50 pair.

One lot \$1.50 and \$1.75 Ladies' Shoes out at 98c pair.

BOYS' PERCALE WAISTS, the 50c kind at 25c.

CHILDREN'S TAM O'SHANTER CAPS at 19c.

WINDOW SHADES, 40c kind 25c; 25c kind at 15c.

DRESSER SCARFS, 50c and 65c kind at 39c each.

JACKETS AND CAPES go at about Half Price this week.

AT JOHNSTON'S... 151 N. Water Street.

WE MUST MOVE

March 1st

Our CLOTHING, Furnishing Goods, Hats, Etc., Etc.

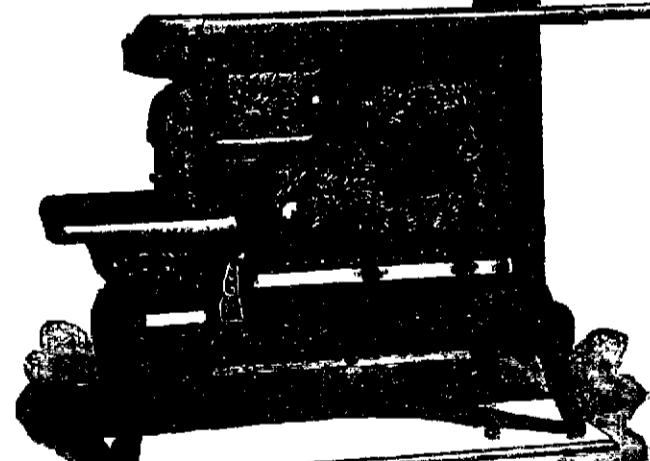
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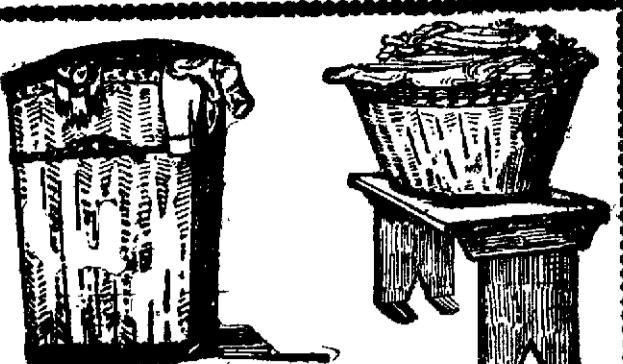


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1,500 of them in use in Decatur and Vicinity and every one of them satisfactory. This stove has all the latest improvements. Fire-lined Oven Door, Oval Door Shelf, Back and Side Shelf, Oven Door Opener, Nickel Towel Rod, Heavy Loosa Base—in fact a stove that is as good as many stoves sold for \$6.00 more money. Remember, every stove fully warranted.

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ONE BLOCK EAST OF MILLIKIN BANK.



These Two Baskets

are several days apart. To shorten the time and lighten the journey between, is to bless woman-kind who are all looking for the best bridge over; and this is the mission of Santa Claus Soap. It has long been used by thousands of thoughtful women who believe in saving themselves unnecessary labor.

SANTA CLAUS SOAP

is made to wash with, and it washes just right. It foams readily, rinses easily, cleans perfectly. Snowy, sweet and uninjured clothes follow in the train of SANTA CLAUS. We ask for it an introduction next Monday morning. Sold everywhere.

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GOT IT? FOUR-C ANNIHILATES LA GRIPPE.



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Try Phelps' Four-C Cough Remedy.

WE GUARANTEE 4-C TO GIVE ABSOLUTE SATISFACTION IN GRIP, ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS, CROUP, COUGHS AND COLDS.

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THE AFRICAN FENNEC.

clusters at the top and which he dearly loves. He also feeds on eggs and insects, which are very cleverly snatched up in passing.

The characteristics are so confused and mixed that zoologists have frequently transferred this animal from one part of the animal kingdom to another, but it has been generally considered as belonging to the fox family, or the genus Vulpes. Like the fox, fennecs live in subterranean burrows, which they easily excavate in the sandy soil of their native regions. The fur is considered valuable by native tribes for robes, but the animals being so small, each robe requires a number of skins. During the daytime the fennec generally remains concealed, and is infrequently seen except after dark, when he emerges from his burrow and sets off upon a marauding expedition.

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THE MUSICAL MONKEY.

He Is Also a Trapeze Performer and a First-Class Fighter.

Albert Anderson, who lives in Harlem, has a room 10 by 12 which is fitted with all sorts of acrobatic apparatus likely to be enjoyed by a small but healthy tree climber. In one corner of the room is a bed and in another are two dumbbells, made fast with chains, because the monkey throws things when its temper is ruffled.

The monkey is so fond of music that when Albert Anderson, Jr., plays the harmonica in its hearing, no matter if it be eating or rolling, the monkey stops, and, keeping time to the music, sways back and forth from its hips, its eyes wide open, and its face expressing great joy. Young Albert gave Billy a mouth organ one day, and Billy screamed with delight. The monkey put the instrument to its mouth and blew hard. A discord followed, instead of the tune which the monkey plainly expected, and it thereupon held the harmonica at arm's length to look at it. It blew the instrument again and again, each time looking at it as if to make out what the trouble was. At last Billy threw the harmonica across the room, chattering in anger. Albert played a waltz on his instrument and Billy grew less excited, but would not touch a harmonica again.

A week later the boy got a music box for the monkey. After showing Billy how to turn the crank the boy left the box on the floor. The monkey looked at it, turned the box upside down, shook it, and then, taking hold of the handle, began to turn it slowly. The music came and the monkey began to dance, first on one foot and then on the other, whining with delight. It is only after the removal of the box that Billy can be made to exercise on the bars and swings enough to keep in health.

Billy does not weigh more than two pounds, but every grain of those pounds is full of grit when it comes to a fight.

Sam, the house cat, a big gray brute, scarred in street fights with wandering tramp cats, got into Billy's room one day, and the monkey's lips curled.

The cat looked up at the monkey, which was on a trapeze bar, and licked its chops. Billy apparently knew what that meant, and dropped down part way to the floor. The cat jumped, but Billy did the giant swing and the cat missed.

Before the cat had got to the floor again

Billy was on it, and in two minutes the cat was leaping over bars and swings yowling with pain. Sam never visited Billy again.—N. Y. Sun.

RESEMBLES THE FOX.

The Fennec, a Beautiful Little Animal Found in Africa.

This beautiful little animal, which is peculiar to Africa, being found in Egypt and Nubia, resembles the fox in general form and has the same bushy tail. Its large ears and small head give it a quaint look and its pretty blue eyes are bright and intelligent looking.

The fur is generally of a pale fawn color, but sometimes creamy white, while the tail is of the same color, except in the upper base and the end, which parts are decidedly black.

Full-grown, the fennec, or zenda, is about 12 inches long, without the tail, which is one-third the length of the body. He is very active, and has a habit of running a ways, then stopping to sit on his haunches, looking very grave. Like the fox, he feeds on various fruits, but is a marvel in that he performed the astonishing feat of climbing up a lofty date palm and there secured the fruit, which hangs in rich

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Illinois Farmers' Institute Meeting.
The Wabash railroad will sell excursion tickets to Springfield, Ill., at the rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip, from all stations in Illinois from which regular one way tickets are sold, Feb. 23 to 26 inclusive, good returning not later than Feb. 27.

The late general assembly appreciating the great benefits resulting from the holding of Farmers' institutes, passed a law creating the Illinois Farmers' Institute for the purpose of developing a greater interest through said organization in the better cultivation of crops, in the care and breeding of the most profitable type of domestic animals, in extending dairy, husbandry, promoting horticulture, directing attention to the importance of farm drainage, stimulating the spirit of improvement in the construction of public roads and discussing the best methods of general farm management.

Up to date farmers and stock breeders will be greatly benefited by attending the state farmers' institute meeting to be held at Springfield Feb. 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1897.—10-d&w

The Ideal Panacea.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: "I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physician's prescriptions or other preparations."

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SIR REDVERS BULLER.

New Chief of the Anglo-Egyptian Army in the Sudan.

Sir Redvers Henry Buller, the army man who is to replace Sir Horatio Herbert Kitchener at the head of the British forces in Egypt, is his predecessor's senior by 11 years. Sir Herbert, who is a "mere youth of 47," as the London public has it, is an able soldier, but not enough of the old fox to make the home government feel safe in his administration of the military expedition against the Mahdists in the Sudan. If an old soldier is needed in Egypt, why, then, Sir Redvers is the very man for the place, for he has been in the army since the age of 19 years. He was then a commissioned officer of the Thirtieth rifles and won his way upward by dogged determination, hard service and distinction.

Most women have some inward trouble which makes life miserable and causes an early breaking down of the whole system. Prof. Munyon says that his Female Remedies will positively cure the following symptoms: Abortionaries of white, profuse, watery discharge; bearing down pains; tired feeling, soreness and dragging in the hips and loins; painful menses; scanty menses; suppressed menses and regular menstrual periods that come too often.

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Personal letters to Prof. Munyon, 1605 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., answered with free medical advice for any disease.

GEO. SIR REDVERS BULLER.

gushed bravery. He won the Victoria cross for his gallant conduct at the retreat of Inkermann during the war in Zululand. On that occasion he rescued a brother officer who was, while returning on foot, hotly pursued by the Zulus. On the same day he conveyed to a place of safety Lieut. Everitt, whose horse had been killed under him. He also saved the life of a trooper whose horse was exhausted and who otherwise had been killed by the savages. The Zulus were within 50 yards of the soldier when Lieut. Buller came up and rescued him. Since those early days Buller has been a prominent figure in the fights of the English against the savages whose territory has been invaded by the British. In the Egyptian war of 1882 he was present at the action of Kassassin, and likewise at Tel-Keber. In the Soudan expedition of 1884 Sir Redvers took a leading part, and he served under Lord Wolseley in the expedition of 1885 into the very territory he now goes to as commander. As a general, it is the opinion of experts that, with the exception of Wolseley and Roberts, Buller stands head and shoulders over any general in the British army.

QUEEREST OF BIRDS.

It has the Face of a Cat, Tail of a Turkey and Feet of a Dog.

The queerest freak of nature ever seen in that section of the country, and what is said to be the queerest bird ever discovered, flew into a tree on Jesse Branthover's farm, six miles from Apollo, Pa., several days ago and has since been in captivity. That it is a bird seems certain, because it has wings which are certainly more than three feet long, but in other respects it is difficult to classify. Its face is that of a cat, its feet resemble those of a dog and its tail is similar to those of the turkey. Its beak and talons are as sharp as those of an eagle, and it has great spurs like a gamecock.

From all the country miles around people have come to look at the monstrosity, but no one has been able to identify it. Farmer Branthover was plowing his field when he saw the bird in a tree. He fired at it, and, one of its wings being wounded, it fell to the ground.

Excursion rates to St. Louis and return every Saturday and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Tickets good Saturday afternoon and returning Monday morning.

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We are authorized to announce O. W. SMITH as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM BUNDY as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce ARTHUR F. EVANS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce LANDY E. MARTIN as a candidate for Collector, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

LOCAL NEWS.

No circuit court today.

The county offices are closed today.

Dancing at Guards' Armory.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Drink Cool's 25c combination coffee.

Hot water bottles, all sizes, 75c each, at West's drug store.—19-df

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Irwin's satisfaction tooth powder whitens and preserves the teeth.

Headache cured in fifteen minutes with Irwin's harmless headache powders.

Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at the Opera House Drug store.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made Sumatra wrapper—5-cent cigar.

The home minstrel performance will occur tonight at the opera house.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent cigar, made by John Welgand. Mch 25 dtf.

Largest and finest stock of face powders in Decatur at West's drug store, all at cut prices.—19-df

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give a dinner and supper next Thursday at the church.

Patronize the home minstrel show at the Grand tonight. You cannot afford to miss it. Go early.

Pure gum camphor, prevents moths, lowest price ever made; 50c a pound. West's drug store.—19-df

Take the Vandail-Pennsylvania for Washington, D. C.; reduced rates for the inauguration.

The police Sunday night arrested a number of parties for disorderly conduct—men, women and boys.

Dr. Wheeler will move his office tomorrow from the Arcade building to room 418 Powers block.

There is no market report today, the board of trade being closed on account of Washington's birthday.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Assembly of the Sons of Veterans will be held at the Grand Army hall on Tuesday evening, Feb. 23, at 7:30 o'clock.

Next Saturday night the members of the band at Blue Mound will give a concert. Miss Bernice Trainer of this city, will take part in the exercises.

In the program for the Home minstral show tonight the names of W. A. Boettger and Walter Shade, through error, do not appear. The names should have been printed with the other participants in the performance.

While in Chicago last week Undertaker Peter Perl bought two of the finest carriages he could find in that city. They are of the landau pattern and have rubber tires for the wheels. Wait till you see them! They will win your admiration and praise.

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